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Frank G. Hughes et al.) Group Art Unit: 3747
Application No.: 10/662,823) Examiner: H. Ali
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For: CYLINDER BLOCK FOR AN) Confirmation No.: 1098
INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE)
HAVING A TAPERED COOLANT)
JACKET)

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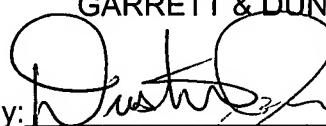
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